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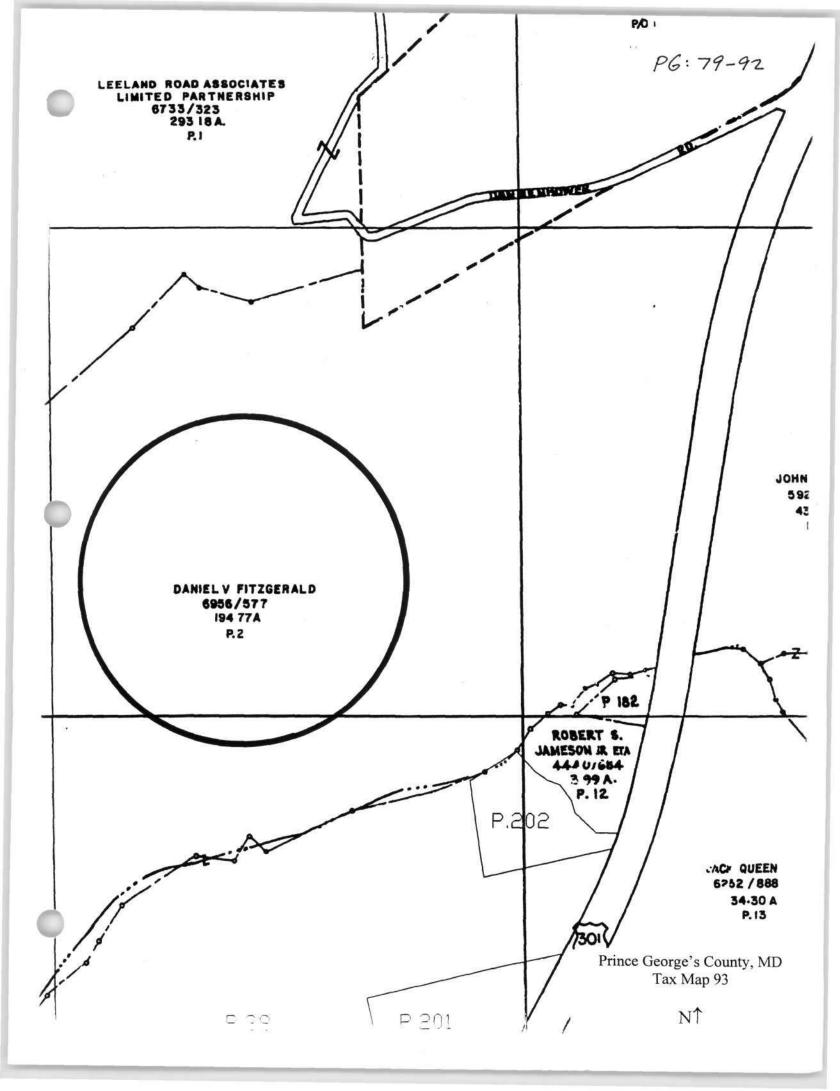
Property Name: Inventory Number PG: 79-92	
Address: 4000 block of Crain Highway, SW, Prince George's County - in the vicinity of Upper M	<u>aul</u> l
Owner: Fitzgerald, Elizabeth B. ETAL	
Tax Parcel Number: 2 Tax Map Number: 93	
Project MD 301 Agency State Highway Administration (SI	HA)
Site visit by SHA Staff: X no _ yes Name: Date:	
Eligibility recommended Eligibility not recommendedX	
CriteriaABCD	e
Is property located within a historic district? X no _ yes Name of District:	
Is district listed?: X no _ yes	
Documentation on the property/district is presented in: <u>Project Review and Compliance Files</u>	
Description of Property and Eligibility Determination (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)	
The overgrown condition of the barn at the 4000 block of Crain Highway made it inaccessible for further study. A indepth description was not able to be properly addressed due to the barn's restrictive site.	ın
Prince George's County relied on its agricultural roots for its economic growth through the early half of the 20th century. The county's position as one of the largest tobacco growers in Maryland and the increasing diversification the crops grown to be sent to the urban markets allowed for a family to be supported by agricultural means. This economic factor assisted in continuing the agricultural tradition and led to the construction of new farm complexes	
The barn was the principle building erected on a farm which provided space for cows, horses, equipment, and hay straw or tobacco storage. Throughout the 19th century, barns increased in size or were newly built to include space for smaller animals, such as poultry and pigs, and as a place for the threshing and storage of grain. Their size also increased during the 19th century as the introduction of improved equipment led to more efficient and profitable operations, and, consequently, to increased need for storage facilities. Typically, livestock was housed on the low	ce
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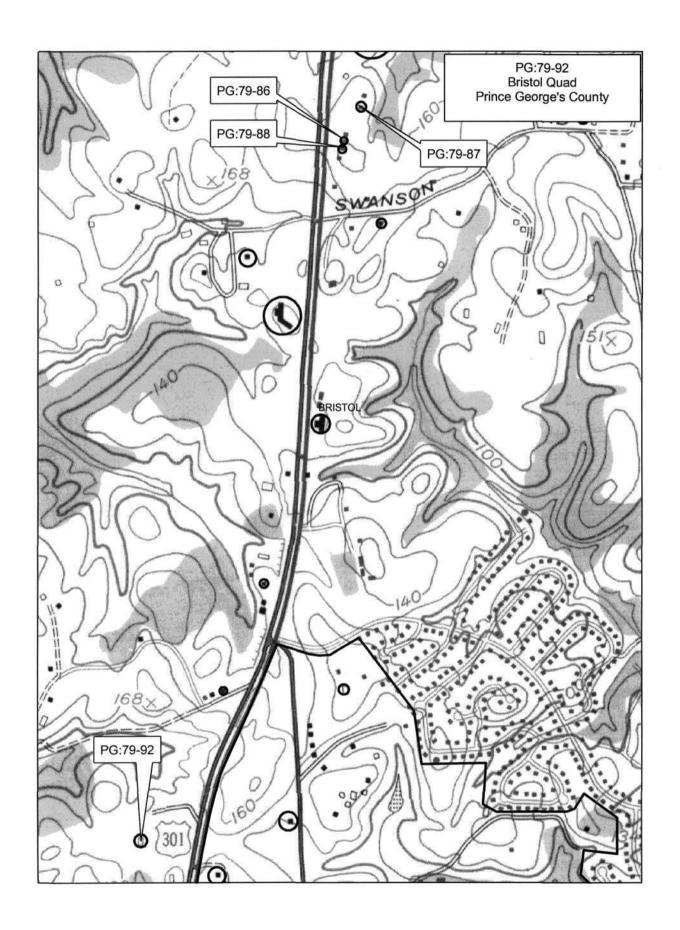
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level, while the upper level was reserved for the storage of hay and straw, and the threshing and storage of feed grains.

The c. 1900 barn is not eligible for the National Register. While typical of the barns constructed in southern Maryland, the resource lacks significance related to events, persons, or architecture. Criterion D, information potential, was not assessed for this study.







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